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Dr. Harmison is the Assistant Secretary of Health He Dr. Mason's representative on the task force.

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#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 8, 1985

#### Dear Mac:

Per our recent conversations, two issues need attention. The first is to establish a base year for measuring drug abuse trends. The second is to plot drug abuse trends in the United States, SAT scores, divorce rates, teenage suicides, and pregnancies from 1960 to the present.

Criticism regarding why these things cannot be done is abundant and I believe it is crucial that we look at these variables.

Your graphs will then be sent to the Department of Justice. They will be asked to plot reported crimes during the same period.

Thanks for your assistance.

Best wishes,

Sincerely,

Deputy Assistant to the President for Drug Abuse Policy

Dr. Donald I. Macdonald Administrator Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Administration 5600 Fishers Lane Room 12-105 Rockville, MD 20857

#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 5, 1985

MEMORANDUM TO DONALD MACDONALD MD ADAMHA

FROM:

LORAN D ARCHER

DRUG ABUSE POLICY OFFICE

SUBJECT: Request for Preface by Mrs. Reagan in <u>Journal of Children</u> in Contemporary Society

I would like your staff's recommendations on the attached request from Stephanie Griswold-Ezekoye for a preface by Mrs. Reagan in the proposed issue on childhood and chemical abuse.

I would appreciate ADAMHA, NIDA, and NIAAA comments in several areas:

- 1) Advantages and disadvantages of prefaces or editorials by Mrs. Reagan in professional journals
- 2) Appropriateness of this request--would any of the proposed authors or their prevention approaches be potentially embarrassing to The White House

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This is last handled at ADAMHA.

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great service for our Country.

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Dr. Donald I. Macdonald Acting Assistant Secretary for Health Department of Health and Human Services Room 716-G 200 Independence Avenue, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20201



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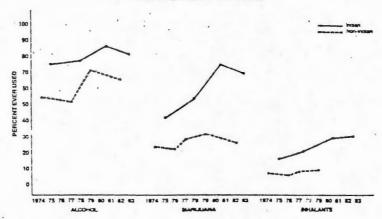
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Dear Dr. Turner:

I have heard that a recent study was reported to the highest levels of administration of ADAMHA suggesting that minority youth no longer use inhalants any more than non-minorities. This statement is NOT true! At least it is not true of Indian youth who are living on reservations; they have three times the inhalant use of other youth. It is important that influential administrators, like you, have this accurate information.

The National Household Survey shows that lifetime prevalence of inhalant use for 12--17 year olds is near 10%. For this age group of reservation Indian youth it is now near 30%.

Lifetime Prevalence Rates for Alcohol, Marijuana & Inhalants for Ingian & Non Indian Adolescents



The National Senior Survey shows that less than 2% of high school seniors used inhalants during the month prior to taking the survey. By contrast, 10% of Indian seniors used inhalants during the last month.

Inhalants are still a <u>very</u> serious problem for Indian youth. Furthermore, our current data show that, while other drug use is dropping for Indian youth, use of inhalants is NOT decreasing.

Why can one report suggest no differences while our data show very large differences? One reason may be age of the subjects. Inhalants are used by the young, and tend to be the drug of choice for the very young. Older samples may show few or no differences.

A second reason may be socio-cultural differences in the samples. Extreme rates of inhalant use seem to be found in situations where a minority and highly disadvantaged group are physically or culturally isolated, particularly when there are language as well as economic and cultural differences -- notably the Hispanic barrios of the big cities and Indian reservations.

My apologies for taking your time, but the assumption that there are no longer ethnic differences in inhalant use is fallacious, and could lead to inappropriate policy decisions.

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 R. Detting, Ph.D. Professor of Psychology

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Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health Washington DC 20201

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Carlton Turner, Ph.D. Deputy Assistant to the President for Drug Abuse Policy The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Carlton:

Enclosed are:

- (1) report from Loran Archer on the excellent Children of Alcoholics program in San Diego which I would like Mrs. Reagan to visit;
- (2) letter from the President of the American Psychological Association. I promised him I would put in a good word about a possible appearance of Mrs. Reagan; and
- (3) letter from Jack Barchas, Professor of Psychiatry at Stanford. I promised a good word here also.

Regarding butyl nitrite, I will wait to hear from you about the outcome of your meeting.

Keep up your good work.

Sincerely yours,

Donald Ian Macdonald, M.D. Acting Assistant Secretary for Health

Enclosures

#### CURRICULUM VITAE

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## Professional Positions:

1962 - 1984 - General Pediatric Practice, 1510 Barry Street, Suite C, Clearwater, Florida 33516

1980 - 1984 - Clinical Associate Professor of Pediatrics, College of Medicine, University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida

#### Education:

Undergraduate - Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts, B.A., 1952

Graduate - Temple University School of Medicine, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, M.D., 1958

Internship - Duval Medical Center, Jacksonville, Florida, ~ 1958 - 1959

Residency - Resident of Pediatrics, St. Christopher's Hospital for Children, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 1959 - 1962 (Chief Resident, 1961 - 1962)

#### Certified:

American Board of Pediatrics, 1963

#### Fellow:

American Academy of Pediatrics, 1963 - Present

#### Professional Activities:

1980 - Present - Drug Abuse Committee of the Florida Medical Association (Chairman 1983 - Present)

1981 - Present - Scientific Advisory Committee, American Council for Drug Education (formerly ACM), New York, New York (President 1981 - Pres)

1980 - 1982 - Director of Clinical Research, Straight,
Inc., (Adolescent Drug Treatment Program)
St. Petersburg, Florida

1970	-	1980	-	School Health Medical Advisory Committee of the Florida Medical Association (Chairman 1975 - 1977)
1970	-	1980	-	School Health Medical Advisory Committee of the Pinellas County Medical Society (Chairman 1970 - 1980)
1979			-	Program Committee - Annual Meeting, Florida Medical Association (Nutrition)
1975	-	1979	-	Nutritional consultant and lecturer, Florida Citrus Commission
1974	-	1976	-	Committee on School Nutrition, Florida Medical Association (Chairman 1974 - 1976)
1978	-	1983	-	Consultant to Family Protection Team (Child Abuse), Children's Medical Services, St. Petersburg, Florida
1962	-	Present	-	Numerous committees, Morton F. Plant Hospital, Clearwater, Florida (Chairman Department of Pediatrics 1965 - 1966,

# Advisory Committees:

# National:

1981 - 1983 - Board of Directors, National Federation of Parents for Drug Free Youth, Silver Spring, MD

1970 - 1971, 1975 - 1976)

# Community:

1975	_	Present	-	Junior League of Clearwater, FL
1982	-	Present	-	Time-Out Homes (Child Abuse), Clearwater, FL
1980	_	1983	-	St. Petersburg Junior College School of
				Nursing, St. Petersburg, FL
1976	_	1979	-	Chairman, District VIII Advisory Committee,
				Health and Rehabilitative Services, State
				of Florida
1965	-	1978	-	Childbirth and Parent Education League of
				Pinellas County, Clearwater, FL
1970	-	1976	~	Library Board, Clearwater Public Library,
				Clearwater, FL
1965	-	1975	-	LaLeche League of Clearwater, FL
1964	-	1967		Board of Directors, Play Parc (Retarded
				children), Clearwater, FL

### Community Honors and Awards:

- 1983 Outstanding Service Award, PAR Inc., Pinellas Park, FL
- 1982 Honorary Lieutenant Colonel Aide-de-Camp, State of Alabama
- 1981 Outstanding Community Service, Clearwater Junior Women's Club, Clearwater, FL
- 1969 Outstanding Professional Service Award Upper Pinellas Association for Retarded Children, Clearwater, FL

## Professional Organizations:

Florida Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics and Pediatric Society (President 1982-84); American Medical Association; Florida Medical Association; Pinellas County Medical Society; Suncoast Pediatric Conference (Chairman 1975-80); Board of Governors, American Red Cross

## Personal:

Birth: April 15, 1931; New York, N.Y.

Family: Married, 4 children

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